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Chief, Intelligence School

16 August 1957

Chief. Reading Improvement

Study of the Readability of Memoranda in the DD/I Offices

- 1. Attached is a Staff Study on the readability of informal correspondence in the DD/I Offices. For your information, the history of the inquiry about readability is as follows:
 - a. In an interview with me on 24 Jan. 1956, the DCI asked me to submit suggestions to improve the readability of Agency memoranda.
 - b. I wrote brief comments which were forwarded to the DCI on 26 Merch 1956.
 - c. The paper was sent to the DD/I for comment. recommended that we establish more thorough principles to improve writing.
 - d. To help us adapt specific recommendations to current practices, addressed a memo dated 13 November 1956 to the AD's of the 7 DD/I Offices, asking each AD to designate someone to inform us about the correspondence situation in his office.
 - e. The AD's designated representatives, who gave us the information we requested. The Staff Study incorporates our analysis of the information.
 - If you approve the Staff Study, please forward it to
- advice and assistance have been invaluable to me in conducting the study.

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